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NOTICE

This is a notice regarding your letter received November 30, 2004, notifying the Office of loss of entitlement to small entity status and requesting acceptance of a fee deficiency submission as provided for in 37 CFR 1.28.

The Office no longer investigates or rejects original or reissue applications under 37 CFR 1.56. **1098 Off. Gaz. Pat. Office 502 (January 3, 1989)**. Therefore, nothing in this Notice is intended to imply that an investigation was done.

The instant request included an itemization and payment of \$405 for the deficiency in payment of the statutory basic filing fee.

Your fee deficiency submission under 37 CFR 1.28 is hereby **ACCEPTED**.

Payment of the deficiency has been treated under § 1.27(g)(2) as a notification of a loss of entitlement to small entity status.

The application is being returned to the Office of Initial Patent Examination (OIPE) for completion of pre-examination processing.

Telephone inquiries related to this decision should be directed to the undersigned at 571-272-3219.


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